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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Undertone steady on hens and consumer sized toms for current shipments, steady to fully steady for deferred. Demand light to instances fair, mostly light with the best interest noted for deferred shipments. Trading active in the Midwest on open priced frozen private label basted-netted-timed whole turkeys for October with price ceilings noted at 69 cents on hens and 67 cents delivered on toms. Open priced frozen commodity trading active in the West, price ceilings noted on hens at 69 cents delivered September and 67-68 cents on toms delivered September-October. Offerings light to adequate. Bulk meat trading centered on a fair volume of fresh tom breast meat, light on the balance of meats and parts.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Tom necks traded at 27.50 cents delivered port. Demand slow to moderate. Buyer bids on thigh meat continued to be noted at lower trending price levels. Offerings of tom bulk parts mostly adequate, tails light, and thigh meat adequate to ample.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JUNE 28, 2001**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/					FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	65-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	65-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	600	OCT
WESTERN REGION 5/	65-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	SEP
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	1200	OCT
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	720	SEP-OCT

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF <b>JUNE 29, 2001</b>	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO	MONTH OF JUNE	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	SAME MONTH YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS				8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	66.60**	66.00	70.50**	EASTERN REGION	66.00	65.65	70.36
CENTRAL REGION	62.50	67.50	69.60**	CENTRAL REGION	64.86	64.07	69.55
WESTERN REGION	66.10**	66.20**	70.50**	WESTERN REGION	66.02	65.00	70.02
16-24 LB TOMS				16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	61.60**	61.00	67.50**	EASTERN REGION	61.24	60.85	66.64
CENTRAL REGION	60.50**	63.28	66.50**	CENTRAL REGION	60.74	60.39	65.80
WESTERN REGION	61.00	61.70**	67.00**	WESTERN REGION	61.52	61.00	66.41

\*\*BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,  
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96-98
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96-98
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	70-76
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	67-76
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	68-76

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY  
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	87-102
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	93-101

**FRESH TURKEYS WITH TIMERS OR EQUIVALENT** U.S. GRADE A,  
DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, EASTERN REGION, CENTS  
PER POUND, WEEK OF 02-JUL-2001

	(8-16#)	(16-24#)	
	HENS	LBS TOMS	LBS
	PRICE	(000)	PRICE (000)
SALES (PROMOTIONS INCLUDED)	70.95	868	67.50 20
SALES (PROMOTIONS NOT INCLUDED)	70.95	868	67.50 20
SALES (PROMOTIONS ONLY)			
SALES (PRICE TO BE DETERMINED)			

**TURKEY MOVEMENT TREND**  
(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)**SLAUGHTER-CERTIFIED RTC TURKEYS**

MAY	480,254 *
JUNE 1-23, 2001	353,434 *
To date 2001	2,457,316 *
To date 2000	2,599,607 *

\* PRELIMINARY

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 23-Jun-2001  
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

<u>YOUNG TURKEYS</u>				<u>TOTAL TURKEYS</u>			
		PCT	AVG			OLD	AVG
		CHG	LIVE			BANDED	LIVE
-THOUSAND HEAD-	PW	WT		-THOUSAND HEAD-	WT		
N EAST	949	8	22.68	(A)	950	22.68	
S ATL	896	13	27.66	(A)	897	27.66	
N CENT	2,288	-8	29.38	(A)	2,290	29.38	
S CENT	465	5	22.18	(A)	466	22.18	
WEST	515	11	21.51	(A)	516	21.51	
U.S.TOTAL	5,113(B)	1	26.39	6	5,119	26.39	
TO DATE							
2001	117,239(B)			300	117,539		
TO DATE							
2000	115,611(B)			827	116,438		

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 29,000; for the year 937,000; last year to date 423,000.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED**

WEEK ENDING 23-Jun-2001

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		
	<u>THOUSANDS</u>				
HEAD	2,230	2,854	29	6	5,119
AVG WT	16.40	34.22	24.36	27.86	26.40
LAST WEEK	2,113	2,924	37	7	5,081
YR AGO	2,004	3,298	22	13	5,337
AVG WT	15.67	31.80	25.97	26.76	25.71
TO-DATE/2001	49,837	66,465	937	300	117,539
TO-DATE/2000	115,188(A)		423	827	116,438

(A) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of

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**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 28 JUNE 2001.

Trading slow. Demand mixed, slow to moderate. Some buyers uncertain about requirements for next week due to the upcoming holiday. Supplies continue to be mixed and generally available. Limited sales of parts and meats trading at generally steady price levels. However, frozen thigh meat and fresh mechanically separated turkey barely steady to weak. Export demand moderate, instances good.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/ BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/ DRUMSTICKS, TOM DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH DRUMSTICKS, HEN WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN NECKS, TOM NECKS, HEN BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/ BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/ THIGH MEAT THIGH MEAT—FRESH BREAST TRIM MEAT SCAPULA MEAT TENDERLOINS DESTRAPPED TENDERS DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH WING MEAT WITH SKIN MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		W   W W W   W W    W W    F  W  W    W W   W	102.00   31.00 31.00 30.00 27.00 35.00 28.29 49.00 29.00 165.00 175.92 67.81 117.00 122.33 149.00 149.00 67.00 27.00 27.74	160   40 40 20 80 15 280 20 40 50 500 158 40 60 240 40 40 40 780
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM TAILS MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	30.50-32.00  26.50 29.00  64.00	W   M	31.00 28.00 26.50 29.00 27.75 64.00	120 52 245 40 52 21

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 29 JUNE 2001.

The undertone was mostly steady on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins with some sellers expressing increased confidence for post holiday market conditions. The trade sentiment on 15-20% mechanically separated turkey (MST) was mostly steady with increased cautiousness noted. Demand was fair to good on white meat items and MST for the generally adequate supplies. Rib breast trading was light on private label Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts with no net and timer. Parts loads of Grade A non-basted 10-12 lb. breasts traded at 110-115 and plant grade basted 16-20 lb. breasts at 110 cents delivered. Offerings of Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts were light at best with private labels the least available, plant grades adequate. Export inquiry slow to moderate. Buyers continued to bid thigh meat lower. Trading fair on fresh tom breast meat for domestic shipments, balance light.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	100.00		100.00	80	101.33	240
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	29.00-31.00		30.25	120	30.44	160
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		W	31.00	40	31.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	30.00	20	30.00	32
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	28.00-28.50		28.25	40	28.24	249
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	35.00	15	35.19	43
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	28.29	280	28.06	360
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	49.00	20	48.33	60
NECKS, TOM	28.00		28.00	80	28.51	328
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	165.00		165.00	12	165.00	62
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	175.00-182.00		176.69	413	175.83	1,433
THIGH MEAT						
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	67.00		67.00	35	67.00	35
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	117.00	40	115.25	160
SCAPULA MEAT	118.00-121.00		120.00	160	120.64	220
TENDERLOINS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	150.00		150.00	40	149.14	280
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	152.00-155.00		153.22	98	151.27	218
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	67.00	40	67.00	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	28.00		28.00	40	27.50	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	30.00		30.00	68	27.92	848
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	30.00		30.00	40	30.34	1,356
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	28.00	52	28.00	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	27.00		27.00	104	27.85	609
TAILS		R	29.00	40	29.00	144
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	27.75	52	27.75	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	65.00		65.00	52	66.50	845

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